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SUBJ: NEWS ARTICLE: SOUTH AFRICA SEEN NEAR PULLOUT

REF: STATE 4524

1. LOCAL PRESS CARRIED NO NEWS OF POSSIBLE PULLOUT MORNING JAN 9. THERE HAS, HOWEVER, BEEN CONTINUING PRESS SPECULATION THAT A WITHDRAWAL FROM ANGOLA COULD BE PART OF A PROPOSAL TO OAU DESIGNED TO GET SOVIETS AND CUBANS OUT ALSO. THIS SPECULATION HAS APPEARED HERE REGULARLY UNDER OVERSEAS DATELINES, AND WAS ALSO MENTIONED IN STANLEY UYS ANALYTICAL PIECE ABOUT TEN DAYS AGO.

2. AFRIKAANS PAPER DIE VADERLAND PUBLISHED ALLEGED INTERVIEW WITH MINDEF BOTHA AFTERNOON JAN 8 IN WHICH BOTHA REPORTEDLY SAID THERE WOULD BE NO RPT NO CHANGE IN SOUTH AFRICAN POLICY ON ANGOLA. RAND DAILY MAIL JAN 9 CARRIED REBUTTAL BY BOTHA SAYING HE HAD NOT GIVEN ANY SUCH INTERVIEW TO DIE VADERLAND, WHICH HAD PUT WORDS IN HIS MOUTH, AND HE

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HAD NOT SAID OR IMPLIED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN

SOUTH AFRICAN POLICY.

3. NO AUTHORITATIVE SOURCE OR OFFICIAL STATEMENT HAS
DEALT IN ANY WAY WITH POSSIBLE PULLOUT THUS FAR. BOTHA'S
LATEST COMMENTS LEAVE POSSIBILITIES OPEN ENDED. ONE MUST
NOTE THAT SAG HAS NEVER ADMITTED PRESENCE IN ANGOLA OTHER
THAN ALONG CUNENE RIVER SCHEME AND IN "HOT PURSUIT" OF
TERRORISTS, MAKING WORDING OF ANY PULLOUT SOMEWHAT TRICKY
TO DEVISE.
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